

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1 1. A method for communicating information to a device user, comprising:  
2 presenting a textual indication to the user regarding a high level aspect of a  
3 device functionality;  
4 receiving an input from the user regarding the device functionality; and  
5 presenting a graphical indication to the user regarding a low level aspect of the  
6 device functionality.

1 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of presenting a graphical  
2 indication to the user regarding the device functionality further comprises the step of  
3 presenting a textual indication along with the graphical indication.

1 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the device functionality pertains to  
2 displaying and facilitating adjustment of a device setting.

1 4. The method of claim 3, wherein the textual indication is provided  
2 within a button that when selected displays the graphical indication to the user.

1 5. The method of claim 4, wherein the graphical indication conveys a  
2 current value of the device setting to the user.

1 6. The method of claim 4, wherein the graphical indication is used to  
2 facilitate adjustment of the device setting.

1 7. The method of claim 3, wherein the device setting comprises the scale  
2 of a copy produced by the device.

1 8. The method of claim 3, wherein the device setting comprises the  
2 contrast of a copy produced by the device.

1 9. A system for communicating information to a device user, comprising:  
 2 means for presenting a textual indication to the user regarding a high level  
 3 aspect of a device functionality;  
 4 means for receiving an input from the user regarding the device functionality;  
 5 and  
 6 means for presenting a graphical indication to the user regarding a low level  
 7 aspect of the device functionality.

1 10. The system of claim 1, wherein the means for presenting a graphical  
 2 indication to the user regarding the device functionality further comprises means for  
 3 presenting a textual indication along with the graphical indication.

1 11. The system of claim 1, wherein the device functionality pertains to  
 2 displaying and facilitating adjustment of a device setting.

1 12. The system of claim 3, wherein the textual indication is provided  
 2 within a button that when selected displays the graphical indication to the user.

1 13. The system of claim 4, wherein the graphical indication conveys a  
 2 current value of the device setting.

1 14. The system of claim 4, wherein the graphical indication is used to  
 2 facilitate adjustment of the device setting.

1 15. The system of claim 3, wherein the device setting comprises the scale  
 2 of a copy produced by the device.

1 16. The system of claim 3, wherein the device setting comprises the  
 2 contrast of a copy produced by the device.

1 17. A system, including computer readable media, for communicating  
 2 information to a device user, comprising:

3 logic configured to present a textual indication to the user regarding a high

4 level aspect of a device functionality;  
5 logic configured to receive an input from the user regarding the device  
6 functionality; and  
7 logic configured to present a graphical indication to the user regarding a low  
8 level aspect of the device functionality.

1           18.   The system of claim 17, wherein the logic configured to present a  
2 graphical indication to the user regarding the device functionality further comprises  
3 logic configured to present a textual indication along with the graphical indication.

1            19.     The system of claim 17, wherein the device functionality pertains to  
2     displaying and facilitating adjustment of a device setting.

1           20.     The system of claim 19, wherein the textual indication is provided  
2     within a button that when selected displays the graphical indication to the user.

1            21.     The system of claim 20, wherein the graphical indication conveys a  
2     current value of the device setting.

1            22.     The system of claim 20, wherein the graphical indication is used to  
2     facilitate adjustment of the device setting.

1           23.     The system of claim 19, wherein the device setting comprises the scale  
2     of a copy produced by the device.

1           24.    The system of claim 19, wherein the device setting comprises the  
2   contrast of a copy produced by the device.

1           25.    A peripheral device, comprising:  
2           a control panel having a display screen with which information is presented to  
3   a device user; and  
4           an information communication module adapted to present device setting  
5   buttons containing textual indications as to the type of setting to which each button  
6   pertains, and further adapted to present a graphical indication as to the setting to  
7   which a button pertains upon selection of the button via the control panel.

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